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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR EXERCISE BAKER PISTON 06-3

¶1. (U) This is an Action Request. See para 6.

¶2. (U) JIATF West has requested that the Mission conduct human rights vetting for units participating in exercise Baker Piston 06-3, slated to take place 17 July - 11 August, ¶2006.

¶3. (U) Post POC is Rachel Wolfe, who can be reached at wolfere@state.gov.

¶4. (U) Information on participating commanders and units follows:

Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) Regional Office CAR
Director: PSupt. Bernardo A. Borinaga, DOB 13 May 1962

PDEA Regional Office I Director: PCInsp. Christopher M. Abrahano, DOB 03 September 1973

PDEA Regional Office III Director: PSupt. Jerome Baxinella, Jr., DOB 30 September 1960

Philippine National Police (PNP) Mountain Provincial Police
Office OIC: PSSupt. Willaim A. Ana-ao, DOB 15 June 1960

Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) Commander 41st. Inf.
Bn. 51D, PA: LTC Angelito M. de Leon, DOB 02 October 1961

AFP Commander 21st IB 51D, PA: MAJ Francis Eugene Zardizabal, DOB 18 February 1962

AFP Commander 3rd ISU Intel Sec. Gr., PA: MAJ Edmundo G. Peralta, DOB 14 May 1970

National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) Regional Director
(STF) Anti-Drug Task Force: Reynaldo O. Esmeralda, DOB 05 September 1962

NBI Regional Director (CAR) Anti-Drug Task Force: Recardo Pangan, DOB 12 January 1950

NBI Head Agent (RAID/SEU "I") Anti-Drug Task Force: Roel S. Bolivar, DOB 4 May 1962

¶5. (U) Mission, working with the Philippine Commission on Human Rights (CHR), verifies that it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the Philippine government commanders and units (identified in para 4) who are scheduled to participate in exercise Baker Piston 06-3.

¶6. (U) Action Request: Mission requests the Department

determine whether it possesses credible evidence of gross human rights violations by the Philippine units and individuals scheduled to train with U.S. forces in exercise Baker Piston 06-3. If Department finds no such evidence, Mission requests that Department issue the required human rights certification statement. Please respond as soon as possible.

Kenney